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In re application of:

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

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In accordance with Rule 136, Applicant respectfully petitions the Commissioner for a-three-month extension of time extending to April 24, 2004, the period for response to the Office Action dated October 24, 2003. A check for \$475 and the responsive paper(s) are enclosed herewith.

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